

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Lorraine Leite, et al.)	Confirmation No.:	2254
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Serial No.: 10/564,905)	Group Art Unit:	4181
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Filing Date: 01/17/2006)	Docket No.:	99342.00061
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For: HYDROXYAPALTITE CALCIUM PHOSPHATE)	Customer No.:	21832
GRANULES, METHOD FOR PREPARING SAME)		
AND USES THEREOF)		

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 3, 2008, applicant submits the following amendments to the specification and claims and remarks.

In the specification:

Please delete paragraph [0176] and replace it with the following:

[0176] Particle size is measured by laser light diffraction in aqueous suspensions without ultrasound and without dispersing agent, by means of a Beckman Coulter® LS230™ particle-size analyzer, by using Mie's theory.

Please delete paragraph [0198] and replace it with the following:

[0198] Granulates are prepared by loading the dry product thus obtained into a Fitzpatrick Chilsonator®™ roller/compactor system, equipped with 10-cm wide and 75-cm diameter rollers.

Please delete paragraph [0200] and replace it with the following:

[0200] The powdered mixture is fed by means of a moving belt into the Chilsonator®™ compacting device and is subjected to compacting by passage between the rollers.

Please delete paragraph [0203] and replace it with the following:

[0203] The product exists in the form of a sheet that is broken up by means of a Fitzmill®™ (model DAS06) crushing device equipped with rotating cutting blades.

Please delete paragraph [0210] and replace it with the following:

[0210] The larger and smaller fractions that emerge from the vibrating sieves are sent to the Chilsonator®™, mixed with the gross feed load for the Chilsonator®, and are then recycled.